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## **EXAMINER'S AMENDMENT**

An examiner's amendment to the record appears below. Should the changes and/or additions be unacceptable to applicant, an amendment may be filed as provided by 37 CFR 1.312. To ensure consideration of such an amendment, it MUST be submitted no later than the payment of the issue fee.

The application has been amended as follows:

## IN THE SPECIFICATION:

In page 1, -- Background of the invention-- has been added before line 3,

In page 2, -- Summary of the invention-- has been added in line 23,

In page 2, lines 29-30 have been deleted,

In page 6, line 4, -- Brief description of the drawings-- has been added,

In page 6, line 29, -- Detailed description of the invention-- has been added.

The above changes have been made to add section headings to the specification and to exclude mentioning of the claims.

## Reasons for allowance

The following is an examiner's statement of reasons for allowance:

The instant invention is deemed to be directed to an unobvious improvement to an axial piston machine for independent delivery into a plurality of hydraulic circuits over U.S. Patent Number 4,223,594 which teaches an axial piston machine 1 having a first group of pistons 38 for delivery into a first hydraulic circuit and at least a second group of pistons 39 for delivery into at least a second hydraulic circuit, wherein the pistons of

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